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Art Unit: 3635 Confirmation No. 5619
Applicant: RICHARD et al.
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Examiner: KATCHEVES, Basil S.
Title: GUTTER CAP HAVING A UNIQUE INTERLOCKING BRACKET
Customer No. 22474

Charlotte, North Carolina
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
REQUEST FOR CONTINUING EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of March 22, 2005, the Advisory Action of April 27, 2005, the telephonic interview of May 2, 2005, and the Advisory Action of May 5, 2005, attached is an RCE and preliminary amendment to enter for the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.